(b) what is the name of the industrial groups against which the largest amount is outstanding and whether Government would like to investigate the functioning of all such industries; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when Government are likely to recover their dues from these industrial groups?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE. N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Such information is not maintained centrally. Collection and compilation of the desired information from the field formations spread all over the country will involve substantial time and effort which may not be commensurate with the objectives sought to be achieved.

(c) Does not arise.

Internal debt of States

675. SHRI CO. POULOSE: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the internal debt of the various State Governments as on 30th October, 2002, State-wise, separately;

(b) whether the Central Government received any suggestion from the States for reducing the interest rate from 12 to 8 per cent on the Central Loan to the States;

(c) if so, whether Government have any plan to consider this suggestion;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS {SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) A statement is enclosed *{See below).*

(b) to (e) Requests have been received from some States for reduction in interest rate on Plan loans of Government of India, in keeping with the low interest rate regime in the market. The Government of India have been reducing the rate of interest on Plan loans periodically. The rate of

interest on plan loans has reduced from 12.50% in 2000-01 to 11.50% in 2002-03.

Statement

Outstanding internal debt of Ministry of Finance against the State Governments as on 30.10.2002.

Rs. in crores

SI. No.	States	Outstanding balance
1.	Andhra Pradesh	17086.97
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	407.56
3.	Assam	3376.15
4.	Bihar	10638.54
5.	Chhattisgarh	2767.98
6.	Goa	823.96
7.	Gujarat	15763.59
8.	Haryana	4833.47
9.	Himachal Pradesh	2449.49
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	3056.36
11.	Jharkhand	3574.25
12.	Karnataka	10640.12
13.	Kerala	5807.87
14.	Madhya Pradesh	8078.68
15.	Maharashtra	20903.53
16.	Manipur	3390.02
17.	Meghalaya	339.54
18.	Mizoram	244.72
19.	Nagaland	340.02
20.	Orissa	7443.64
21.	Punjab	8010.68
22.	Rajasthan	9858.56
23.	Sikkim	196.63
24.	Tamil Nadu	10929.22
25.	Tripura	630.74
26.	Uttar Pradesh	28749.00
27	Uttaranchal	1541.60
28.	West Bengal	23074.49